

## IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Method for adjusting specific quality characteristics and/or properties of pipes by means of pressure testing, particularly steel pipes for pipelines for combustible media, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein an additional water volume 11 is filled into each individual pipe 1 in addition to the water volume for the pressure test according to DIN EN 10208 part 2, with the requirement that ~~the~~ pipe material is loaded slightly in the plastic range.
2. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the additional water volume 11 remains in the pipe for a period of 2 to 3 min.
3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the pipe is enlarged at the outer diameter by 2 to 3 per thousand.

4. " (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1,  
~~characterized in that~~ wherein  
the additional water volume 11 which is taken into consideration  
as anintended value is determined by filling in a step by step  
manner an additional water volume 11 into a test pipe 1 until  
the changes reach a previously determined limit value.
5. (Currently Amended) Use of the method according to ~~at least one~~  
~~of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 in spirally welded pipes 1.